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       METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM USED THEREWITH  
       FOR CONTROLLING A PLURALITY OF ELECTRONIC  
       DEVICES OVER A NETWORK  
 Examiner : James S. Wozniak  
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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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This is in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, which  
 accompanied the Notice of Allowance mailed September 23, 2005. To the extent the Examiner's

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Statement of Reasons for Allowance states, implies or is construed to mean that the claims are allowable over the prior art of record because the Examiner believes the claims should be interpreted to include one or more features or limitations not recited therein, Applicant's attorney disagrees with such an interpretation. Moreover, it is Applicant's contention that there is no particular limitation in the allowed claims that is more critical than any other. The issuance of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as a surrender by the Applicant of any subject matter. It is the intent of Applicant, by his attorney, to construe the allowed claims so as to cover the invention disclosed in the instant application and all equivalents to which the claimed invention is entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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